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A NEW CHRONOLOGICAL CLASSIFICATION OF PALESTINIAN ARCHAEOLOGY

(The following scheme has been drawn up by the representatives of the three archaeological Schools in Jerusalem.)

- I. STONE AGE
 - i. Paleolithic
 - ii. Neolithic
- II. BRONZE AGE
 - i. Early Canaanite to 2000 B. C.
 - ii. Middle Canaanite 2000—1600 B. C.
 - iii. Late Canaanite 1600—1200 B. C.
- III. IRON AGE
 - i. Early Palestinian 1200— 600 B. C. { a. Philistine
b. Israelite
 - ii. Middle Palestinian * 600— 100 B. C. { a. Jewish
b. Hellenistic
 - iii. Late Palestinian * B. C. 100— 636 A. D. { a. Roman
b. Byzantine
- IV. MODERN
 - i. Early Arab 636—1100 A. D.
 - ii. Middle Arab 1100—1500 A. D.
 - iii. Late Arab 1500—

Adopted Jerusalem, July 14, 1922

(Signed) JOHN GARSTANG
LOUIS VINCENT
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W. J. PHYTHIAN-ADAMS

* This nomenclature is adopted only for convenience and consistency. In practice, following Professor Fisher's suggestion, the terms "Hellenistic, 300-100 B. C.; Roman, 100 B. C.-350 A. D.; Byzantine, 350-636 A. D." will naturally be employed (W. F. A.).

ARCHAEOLOGICAL PROGRESS IN PALESTINE

Director Albright reports as follows:

At a meeting of the Archaeological Advisory Board July 29, a number of very interesting archaeological items were reported by the Director of Antiquities. A permit has been granted to a group of Danish scholars, headed by Aage Schmidt, to excavate at Seilûn, ancient Shiloh. It is understood that these scholars are now on their way to Palestine. The Department of Antiquities will carry on excavations during September and October in a group of tombs on Carmel, at Caesarea, and especially at the site of ancient Dor, modern Tanturah. The money for these trial operations is given by a wealthy antiquity dealer in Haifa, Aziz Hayyat. The British School will further conduct work, under Phythian-Adams, at a number of mounds in the Plain of Akka, including the supposed site of Harosheth of the Gentiles, and at Gaza. All these undertakings are in the

nature of soundings both for the determination of future sites for work and for the recovery of pottery series.

With the approval of the High Commissioner of Palestine "an organized effort is to be made to excavate and lay open to the world the historic City of David on Mount Ophel." An invitation to take the lead in this undertaking was addressed to our School in Jerusalem. Unfortunately, for obvious financial reasons, we were not able to embrace the opportunity. The offer reveals one of the many brilliant opportunities that lie before American archaeology, if only American money is forthcoming.

NOTES

Prof. A. V. WILLIAMS JACKSON represented the Schools at the Centenary of the Société Asiatique, celebrated in Paris in July.

Professor DALMAN has been succeeded as head of the German School in Jerusalem by Professor ALT.

The Secretary-Treasurer of the Schools, Professor GEORGE A. BARTON, having become Professor at the University of Pennsylvania, is now to be addressed at 3725 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

A letter from Professor HATCH reports that he has reached Jerusalem and expected to join Prof. Rendel Harris in Egypt about November 1st.

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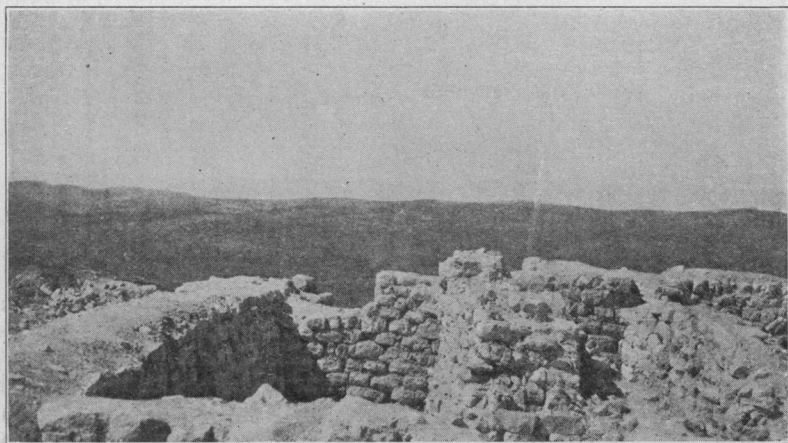
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A VIEW OF THE EXCAVATIONS AT TELL EL-FUL.

IN MEMORIAM JAMES BUCHANAN NIES

In the death of the Rev. James Buchanan Nies, Ph.D., the American Schools of Oriental Research have sustained a great loss. He was not only one of their chief patrons, but his activities in their interests were of the greatest importance.

Dr. Nies was born in Newark, New Jersey, November 22, 1856. He received the degree of B.A. from Columbia in 1882, M.A. in 1887, and Ph.D. in 1888. He was graduated from the General Theological Seminary